

## **Air Force Research Laboratory**





Integrity ★ Service ★ Excellence

## Information Directorate Overview





## **AFRL/RI Mission & Vision**



### Mission:

To explore, prototype, and demonstrate high-impact, game changing technologies that enable the Air Force and Nation to maintain its superior technical advantage.



## Vision:

To LEAD the Air Force and Nation in Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Intelligence (C4I) and Cyber science, technology, research and development.



# Information Directorate Mission



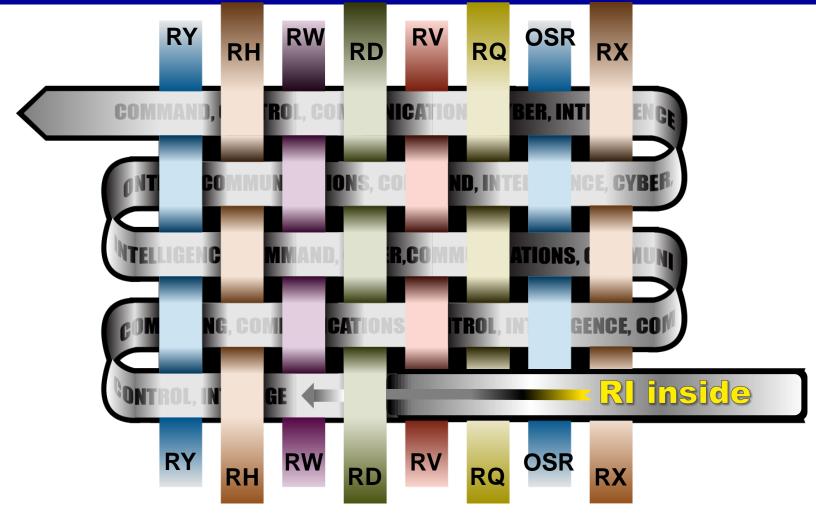
# Rome = $C^{4+1}I$



## **Information Technologies**



......Touch **Every** Other AFRL Directorate

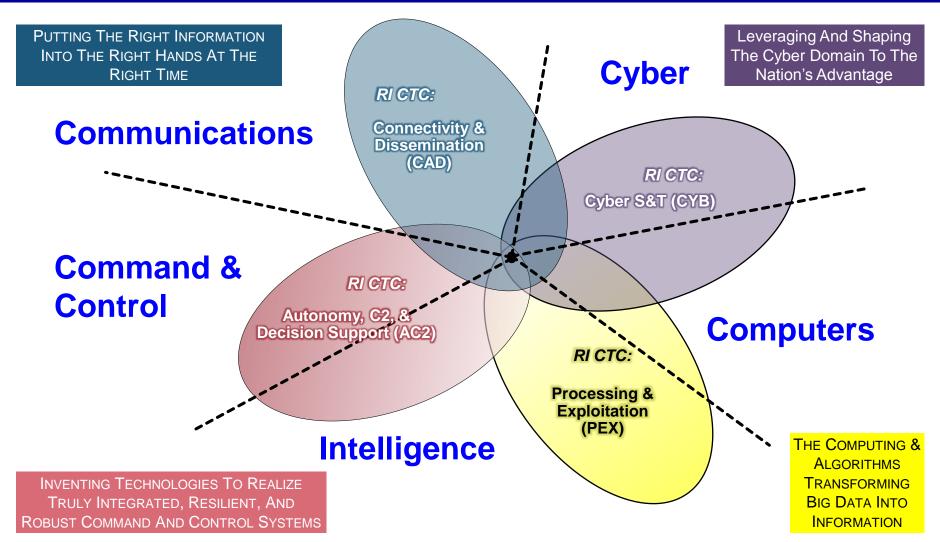


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## **Core Technical Competencies**







# Autonomy, Command & Control (C2) and Decision Support

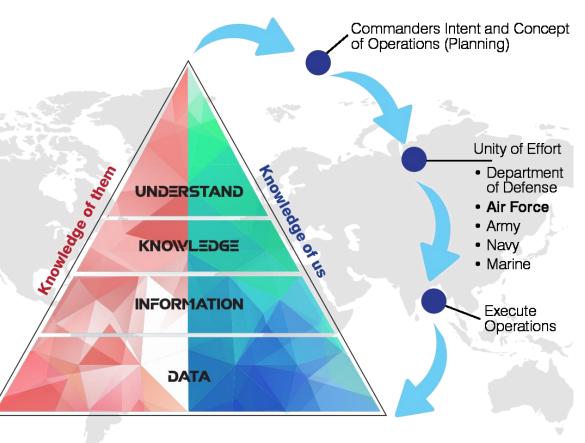


#### Vision

Trusted, highly autonomous C2 systems for synchronized, multidomain effects in complex, contested, high tempo conflicts.

#### **Mission**

Deliver innovative, trusted, affordable information technologies for agile, resilient, and distributed Air Force command and control systems.



INVENTING TECHNOLOGIES TO REALIZE TRULY INTEGRATED, RESILIENT, AND ROBUST COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS



## **Processing and Exploitation**





#### **Vision**

Employing massive data analytics for game changing solutions to revolutionize Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Intelligence (C4I) and Cyber for the Air Force and Nation.

#### **Mission**

Lead the discovery, development, and transition of all-source processing and exploitation innovations for the Air Force and Joint communities.

### Challenges

- Manage, process, and exploit current massive amounts of intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) data flows to analyze patterns of life
- Infer relationships and assessment of the current situation
- Exploitation in denied areas
- Process actionable ISR information via high performance massively-parallel systems
- Energy efficient computing for size, weight, and power constrained at-the-sensor processing

THE COMPUTING AND ALGORITHMS BEHIND TRANSFORMING BIG DATA INTO INFORMATION



# **Cyber Science and Technology**

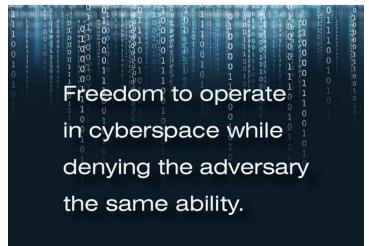


#### **Vision**

Create the future Air Force and Joint service assured operating environments that provide for mission aware and resilient full spectrum capabilities.

#### **Mission**

Design, develop and transition innovative cyber capabilities to the Air Force and Joint communities.



#### **Challenges**

- Full spectrum cyber operations for cyberspace superiority
- Mission awareness for assuring effective missions
- Cyber agility to disrupt/deny adversary attack planning
- Cyber resiliency to fight through and recover from attack
- Hardware & software "Root of Trust" for computational platform assurance

LEVERAGING AND SHAPING THE CYBER DOMAIN TO THE NATION'S ADVANTAGE



# **Connectivity and Dissemination**

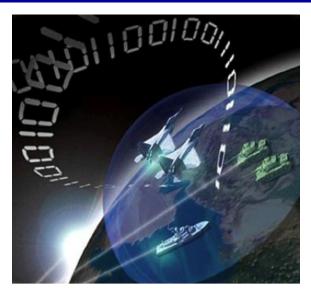


#### **Vision**

Seamless networked communications fabric across the C2ISR enterprise – Assuring delivery of timely, reliable, and actionable information to warfighters and systems.

#### **Mission**

Provide agile and secure mission-responsive communications and information sharing globally.





### **Challenges**

- Congested, contested and anti-access/area denial (A2AD) operational environments
- Affordable net-enabled C2ISR for tactical and expeditionary capabilities
- Cross-domain security multimedia information sharing
- Mission-aware, on-demand prioritization of information flow

PUTTING THE RIGHT INFORMATION INTO THE RIGHT HANDS AT THE RIGHT TIME



# **AFRL Information Directorate**





Government/Military
Scientists &
Engineers.....444
Government/Military
Professional Staff...365

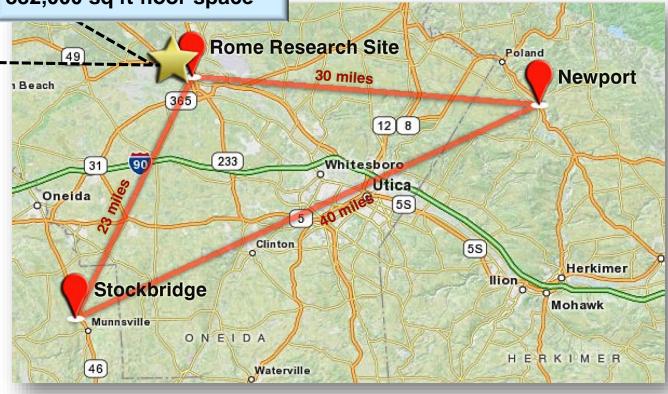
Onsite Contractors.....440

Visiting

Professors.....6

Students......99

65 Acre Campus, 30 Laboratories & Facilities 882,000 sq ft floor space



Total Gov't Staffing - 809
Total Directorate Staffing - 1,249



# Stockbridge Remote Research Site



- Controllable Contested Environment
- Small Unmanned Air Vehicle Range
  - > 300 Acre Site
  - Uncontrolled Air Space
  - Quiet Electromagnetic Environment
  - Flexible Frequency Authorizations



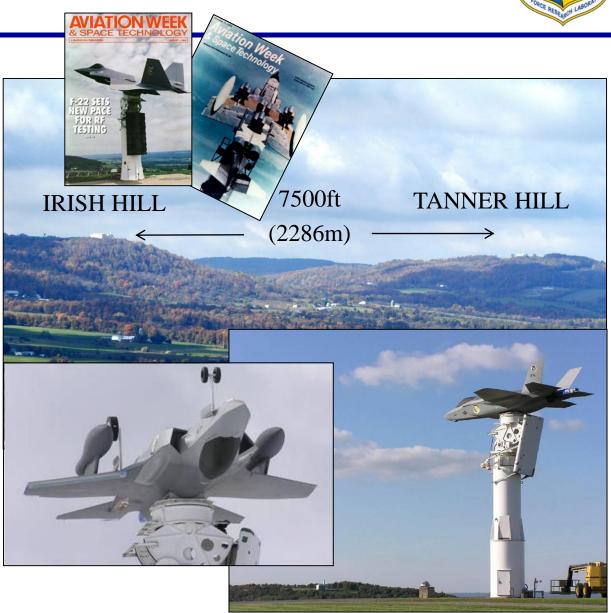


# **Newport Remote Research Site**



### Far Field, Elevated Outdoor Antenna Test Range

- > 78 Acres
- ➤ 360 Degree Pattern Measurement
- Established in 1972
- Ideal Geography





## **Facilities**





Machine Intelligence for ISR Laboratory



Situation Awareness Laboratory



Command and Control Concept Center (C2CC)



Operational IM Development Laboratory



Secure Embedded High Performance Computing



Command and Control Technology Center (C2TC)



Quantum Information Science Facility



High Performance Computing Facility



RF Technology Center



Network-Centric Integration & Interoperability Facility



Cyber Operations Technology Facility



Quantum Communications Laboratory



Operational Information Management Lab



Integrated Intelligence Innovation Faculty (I3F)



Advanced Computing Applications Laboratory



Audio Processing Lab



Nanotechnology and Computational Intelligence Laboratory



Cyber Experimentation Environment (CEE)



Corporate Collateral Facility (CCF)



# Fabrication Shop: If you can dream it, they can build it!









## **Summary**





C4+1 Results for AF and the Nation